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To the FCC:

I am a paid subscriber of XM satellite radio. I travel frequently by car, and was thrilled when XM Radio began offering weather and traffic bulletins for the central Florida area. I find it very comforting to have access to this information while traveling.

Getting weather information quickly from local FM radio stations is nearly impossible. Most so-called "local" stations rely heavily on nationally syndicated content, and they will not interrupt syndicated shows to tell you that there is a tornado watch in the area. The only way you can get up-to-the-minute weather info on a local FM radio station is by sheer luck, if you stumble upon the right station at the right time.

Please support the right of satellite radio subscribers to purchase the kind of content they want to hear. Telling XM Radio that they can't broadcast weather updates is like telling TV cable companies that they can't carry The Weather Channel. I urge you to reject petition 04-160.

Respectfully,
Donna McCraw in Gainesville, FL